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# Township of Port Sheldon Ottawa County, Michigan FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Our discussion and analysis of the Township of Port Sheldon, Michigan's (the Township), financial performance provides a narrative overview of the Township's financial activities for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2007. Please read it in conjunction with the Township's financial statements.

### **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- The Township's total net assets increased by \$251,501 (6 percent) as a result of this year's
  activities. Net assets of the governmental activities increased by \$255,294, while the business-type
  activities net assets decreased by \$3,793.
- Of the \$4,275,172 total net assets reported, \$565,524 is restricted for various purposes and \$1,417,575 (33 percent) is unrestricted, or available to be used at the Board's discretion.
- The General Fund's unreserved, undesignated fund balance at the end of the fiscal year was \$1,393,612, which represents 192 percent of the actual total General Fund expenditures for the current fiscal year.

### Overview of the financial statements

The Township's annual financial report is comprised of three parts: the management's discussion and analysis, the basic financial statements, and required supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the Township:

- The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both long-term and short-term information about the Township's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the Township, reporting the Township's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements.
  - Governmental fund statements tell how general government services, like public safety, were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending.
  - Proprietary fund statements offer short- and long-term financial information about the activities the government operates like a business, such as the water system.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data. The financial statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information that further explains and supports the information in the financial statements.

A comparative analysis of the basic financial statements for 2007 and 2006 is also presented.

### **Government-wide financial statements**

The government-wide financial statements report information about the Township as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net assets includes all of the Township's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report the Township's net assets and how they have changed. Net assets (the difference between the Township's assets and liabilities) are one way to measure the Township's financial health or position.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the Township's net assets are an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the overall health of the Township, you need to consider additional nonfinancial factors such as changes in the Township's property tax base and the condition of the Township's capital assets.

The government-wide financial statements are divided into three categories:

- Governmental activities Most of the Township's basic services are included here, such as fire
  protection and general government. Property taxes and state shared revenue finance most of these
  activities.
- Business-type activities The Township charges fees to customers to help it cover the costs of certain services it provides. The Township's water system is reported here.
- Component unit The Township includes one other entity in its report the Economic Development
  Corporation. Although legally separate, this "component unit" is important because the Township is
  financially accountable for it.

### **Fund financial statements**

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the Township's most significant funds, not the Township as a whole. Funds are accounting devices that the Township uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes.

- Some funds are required by state law and by bond agreements.
- The Township Board establishes other funds to show that it is properly using certain taxes and other revenues (like the public safety millage).

The Township has three kinds of funds:

• Governmental funds. Most of the Township's basic services are included in governmental funds, which focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can be readily converted to cash, flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Township's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the government-wide statements, we provide additional information at the bottom of the governmental funds statements that explain the relationship between them.

### Fund financial statements (Continued)

- Proprietary funds. Services for which the Township charges customers a fee are generally reported
  in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds statements, like the government-wide statements, provide
  both long-and short-term financial information. In fact, the Township's enterprise fund (one type of
  proprietary fund) is the same as its business-type activity, but provides more detail and additional
  information, such as cash flows.
- Fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties
  outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial
  statement because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Township's own
  programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE TOWNSHIP AS A WHOLE

**Net assets.** Total net assets at the end of the fiscal year were \$3,578,518, an increase of 6 percent compared to the prior year. Of this total, \$2,292,073 is invested in capital assets and \$385,798 is restricted for various purposes. Consequently, unrestricted net assets were \$900,647, or 25 percent of the total.

### Condensed financial information Net Assets

		nmental rities		ess-type vities	To	tals
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
Current and other assets Capital assets	\$ 2,079,704 3,479,073	\$ 1,840,422 3,509,847	\$ 23,963 	\$ 27,756	\$ 2,103,667 3,479,073	\$ 1,868,178 3,509,847
Total assets	5,558,777	5,350,269	23,963	27,756	5,582,740	5,378,025
Long-term debt outstanding Other liabilities Total liabilities	1,187,000 120,568 1,307,568	1,250,000 104,354 1,354,354	<u>-</u>	-	1,187,000 120,568 1,307,568	1,250,000 104,354 1,354,354
Net assets: Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted Unrestricted	2,292,073 565,524 1,393,612	2,259,847 610,151 1,125,917	- - 23,963	- - 27,756	2,292,073 565,524 1,417,575	2,259,847 610,151 1,153,673
Total net assets	\$ 4,251,209	\$ 3,995,915	\$ 23,963	<u>\$ 27,756</u>	\$ 4,275,172	\$ 4,023,671

**Changes in net assets.** The Township's total revenues for 2007 were \$1,265,382. More than 54 percent of the Township's revenues come from property taxes while state shared revenue accounts for 24 percent of the revenues. Charges for services account for 11 percent of the Township's revenues.

The total cost of the Township's programs for 2007, covering a wide range of services, totaled \$1,013,881 Nearly 39 percent of the Township's costs relate to general government expenses while public safety (fire protection and building inspections) represents 23 percent of all costs.

### Condensed financial information Changes in net assets

	Governmental activities		Busine: activ		Totals		
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	
Program revenues:							
Charges for services	\$ 116,764	\$ 118,335	\$ 15,442	\$ 13,221	\$ 132,206	\$ 131,556	
Operating grants and contributions	6,349	3,663	•	-	6,349	3,663	
General revenues:							
Property taxes	700,387	662,781	-	-	700,387	662,781	
State shared revenue	306,332	307,782		-	306,332	307,782	
Interest income	94,897	61,797	541	364	95,438	62,161	
Franchise fees	24,670	21,012	-	-	24,670	21,012	
Other		8,475			-	8,475	
Total revenues	1,249,399	1,183,845	15,983	13,585	1,265,382	1,197,430	
Expenses:							
Legislative	4,198	4,399	-	-	4,198	4,399	
General government	398,014	375,110	-	-	398,014	375,110	
Public safety	237,769	239,832	-	-	237,769	239,832	
Public works	145,390	158,594	•	-	145,390	158,594	
Culture and recreation	61,370	81,353	-	-	61,370	81,353	
Community and economic							
development	68,403	71,463	-	-	68,403	71,463	
Interest on long-term debt	78, <del>96</del> 1	56,320	-	-	78,961	56,320	
Water			19,776	8,760	19,776	8,760	
Total expenses	994,105	987,071	19,776	8,760	1,013,881	995,831	
Increase (decrease) in net assets	\$ 255,294	\$ 196,774	\$ (3,793)	<u>\$ 4,825</u>	\$ 251,501	\$ 201,599	

### Governmental activities

Governmental activities increased the Township's net assets by \$255,294 in 2007 compared to a \$196,774 increase in 2006. Net assets increased because general revenues, while stagnant, exceeded expenditures in each year.

The following table shows the costs of the Township's three largest programs, as well as the net cost (total cost less fees generated by the activities and intergovernmental aid). The net cost shows the burden that was placed on the Township's taxpayers by each of these functions.

The total cost of all governmental activities was \$994,105. However, the amount that our taxpayers paid for these activities through general revenues was \$870,992. Some of the cost was paid by:

- Those who directly benefited from the programs (\$116,764), and
- Other governments that subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions (\$6,349).

The Township paid for the \$870,992 "public benefit" portion with \$1,092,413 in general revenues including property taxes and other revenues, such as state shared revenue and interest income.

	-	otal cost services	Net cost of services		
General government Public safety Public works Other	\$	398,014 237,769 145,390 212,932	\$	373,006 169,491 141,469 187,026	
Totals	\$	994,105	\$	870,992	

### **Business-type activities**

Business-type activities decreased the Township's net assets by \$3,793 in 2007 compared to a \$4,825 increase in 2006. Net assets decreased in the current year due in part to a well maintenance program. This maintenance is necessary in order to maintain safe drinking water in the future.

### Governmental funds

As of March 31, 2007, the Township's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,706,014, an increase of \$318,864 compared to last year's balances.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the Township. At the end of the fiscal year, unreserved fund balance was \$1,393,612, which represents 192 percent of the actual total General Fund expenditures for the current fiscal year. The fund balance of the General Fund represents 87 percent of the combined ending fund balances of the governmental funds.

The General Fund experienced an increase of \$267,695 in fund balance because revenues exceeded expenditures in the current year. Construction of a nonmotorized pathway is being planned for next year. Preliminary estimates for this project exceed \$400,000. Funds have been set aside for this pathway project including the General Fund increase experienced this year.

In addition, these other changes in fund balances should be noted:

- The fund balance of the Fire Fund increased by \$28,542. Property taxes levied covered
  expenditures of the current year. The fund incurred minimal capital outlay expenditures in the
  current year.
- The fund balance of the Sewer District #1 Fund increased by \$22,627 because special assessment collections exceeded debt service costs in the current year.

### General Fund budgetary highlights

The Township did not amend the General Fund budget.

Revenues were \$47,482 more than budgeted while expenditures and transfers to other funds were \$823,549 less than the amounts appropriated. These conditions resulted in an \$871,031 positive budget variance and a \$267,695 increase in fund balance compared to a budgeted \$603,336 decrease.

The single most significant reason for the large positive budget variance is explained by the delay in the pathways construction project. Pathways costs were \$431,345 less than anticipated. Secondly, capital outlay expenditures were \$145,687 less than anticipated. There were no negative variances in any of the General Fund functional expenditure classifications.

### Capital assets and debt administration

### Capital assets

The Township's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of March 31, 2007, amounts to \$3,479,073 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment includes a broad range of assets including land, various infrastructure items, buildings, and equipment. The net decrease in the Township's net investment in capital assets for the current fiscal year was \$30,774 or less than one percent.

## Township of Port Sheldon MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

### Capital assets (continued)

	 overnmental activities
Land	\$ 236,443
Buildings and improvements Equipment	1,112,723 173,583
Vehicles	409,996
Infrastructure	 1,546,328
Totals	\$ 3,479,073

The major capital asset event during the current fiscal year involved the development of infrastructure (shared road costs) with costs totaling \$90,411.

More detailed information about the Township's capital assets is presented in Note 5 of the basic financial statements.

### Debt administration

At the end of the fiscal year, the Township had contracts payable outstanding in the amount of \$1,187,000, which represents a decrease of \$63,000, or 5 percent. All debt is backed by the full faith and credit of the Township.

More detailed information about the Township's noncurrent liabilities is presented in Note 6 of the basic financial statements.

### **Economic condition and outlook**

The Township's budget for the next fiscal year projects property taxes, which is the largest single source of revenue, to increase slightly. State revenue sharing is also a significant source of revenue for the Township. While the Township no longer receives statutory state revenue sharing, constitutional state revenue sharing is projected to show a slight increase.

Expenditures are projected to increase in the next fiscal year. The largest single increase is projected in non-motorized pathway construction and maintenance. A new non-motorized pathway is planned with a preliminary cost estimate exceeding \$400,000 for construction. Funds that have been set aside in the previous four years, together with less road construction, make it possible to undertake these projects while maintaining strong fiscal health for the Township.

### Contacting the Township's financial management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the Township's finances and to demonstrate the Township's accountability for the resources it receives. Questions regarding any information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

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### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Trustees
Township of Port Sheldon, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely-presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Port Sheldon, Michigan, as of March 31, 2007, and for the year then ended, which collectively comprise the Township of Port Sheldon, Michigan's basic financial statements, as listed in the contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township of Port Sheldon, Michigan's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely-presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Port Sheldon, Michigan, as of March 31, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

As described in Note 14 to the financial statements, the Township recorded a prior period adjustment to correct its method of accounting for property tax revenue recognition of the governmental activities and of the General and Fire funds. A prior period adjustment was also recorded to include the Economic Development Corporation as a component unit.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison schedules, as listed in the contents, are not required parts of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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# BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# Township of Port Sheldon STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

March 31, 2007

	Pri	Primary government					
	Governmental activities	Governmental Business-typeactivities Totals					
ASSETS							
Current assets: Cash Receivables	\$ 1,733,273 141,308	\$ 23,963	\$1,757,236 141,308	\$ 17,255 			
Total current assets	1,874,581	23,963	1,898,544	17,255			
Noncurrent assets: Receivables Capital assets not being	205,123	-	205,123	-			
depreciated - land	236,443	-	236,443				
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	3,242,630		3,242,630				
Total noncurrent assets	3,684,196		3,684,196				
Total assets	5,558,777	23,963	5,582,740	17,255			
LIABILITIES Current liabilities:							
Payables Contracts payable	120,568 68,000	-	120,568 68,000	<u>-</u>			
Total current liabilities	188,568	_	188,568	-			
Noncurrent liabilities - contracts payable	e <u>1,119,000</u>	<u> </u>	1,119,000	<u>-</u>			
Total liabilities	1,307,568		1,307,568				
NET ASSETS Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted for: Public safety Debt service	2,292,073 213,725 351,799	- - -	2,292,073 213,725 351,799	- - -			
Unrestricted	1,393,612	23,963	1,417,575	17,255			
Total net assets	\$ 4,251,209	\$ 23,963	\$4,275,172	\$ 17,255			

# Township of Port Sheldon STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year ended March 31, 2007

				Program	n revenues		
Functions/Programs	<u>E</u> )	(penses_		arges for ervices	grai	erating nts and ibutions	
Primary government:							
Governmental activities:							
Legislative General government	\$	4,198 398,014	\$	- 25,008	\$	-	
Public safety		237,769		65,850		2,428	
Public works		145,390		-		3,921	
Community and economic development		68,403		7,175		-	
Culture and recreation		61,370		· -		_	
Interest on long-term debt		78,961		18,731		-	
Total governmental activities		994,105		116,764		6,349	
Business-type activity - water		19,776		15,442			
Total primary government	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,013,881</u>	<u>\$</u>	132,206	\$	6,349	
Component unit:							
Economic Development Corporation	\$	250	\$		\$	-	

### General revenues:

Property taxes State shared revenue Franchise fees Interest income

Total general revenues

Change in net assets

Net assets - beginning

Net assets - ending

Net (e	Primary government						
Governmental activities	Business-type activities	Totals					
\$ (4,198) (373,006) (169,491) (141,469) (61,228) (61,370) (60,230)		\$ (4,198) (373,006) (169,491) (141,469) (61,228) (61,370) (60,230)					
(870,992)		(870,992)					
	\$ (4,334)	(4,334)					
(870,992)	(4,334)	(875,326)					
			\$ (250)				
700,387 306,332 24,670 94,897	- - - 541	700,387 306,332 24,670 95,438	- - - 524				
1,126,286	541	1,126,827	524				
255,294	(3,793)	251,501	274				
3,995,915	27,756	4,023,671	16,981				
\$ 4,251,209	\$ 23,963	\$ 4,275,172	\$ 17,25 <u>5</u>				

# Township of Port Sheldon BALANCE SHEET - governmental funds

March 31, 2007

		Major	funds		
	General	General Fire		Sewer District #2	
ASSETS Cash Receivables	\$ 1,352,438 61,862	\$ 229,960 3,765	\$ 84,099 146,413	\$ 66,776 134,391	
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,414,300</u>	\$ 233,725	\$ 230,512	<u>\$ 201,167</u>	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:	S				
Payables Deferred revenue	\$ 20,688 	\$ 20,000	\$ - <u>131,835</u>	\$ 79,880 121,287	
Total liabilities	20,688	20,000	131,835	201,167	
Fund balances:			00.077		
Reserved for debt service Unreserved, undesignated	1,393,612	213,725	98,677	<del>-</del>	
Total fund balances	1,393,612	213,725	98,677		
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 1,414,300	\$ 233,725	\$ 230,512	<u>\$ 201,167</u>	

Total fund balances - total governmental funds

Amounts reported for *governmental activities* in the statement of net assets are different because:

Special assessments receivable are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are deferred in the funds.

Capital assets used in *governmental activities* are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.

Long-term liabilities, including contracts payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds

Net assets of governmental activities (page 4)

	Total
gov	/ernmental
	funds
\$	1,733,273 346,431
\$	2,079,704
\$	120,568 253,122
	373,690
	98,677 1,607,337
<u> </u>	1,706,014
\$	2,079,704
\$	1,706,014
	253,122
	3,479,073
_	(1,187,000)
\$	4,251,209

### Township of Port Sheldon STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - governmental funds

	Major funds							
	General		Fire		Sewer District #1		Sewer District #2	
REVENUES Property taxes Licenses and permits	\$	520,634 89,709	\$	179,753 -	\$	- -	\$	- -
State grants Charges for services Interest and rentals Other		310,253 23,141 90,178 4,218		2,933 4,788		- - 2,785 59,755		2,276 54,772
Total revenues	_	1,038,133		187,474	<u> </u>	62,540		57,048
EXPENDITURES								
Legislative General government		4,198 354,560		-		-		- -
Public safety Public works		20,013 192,339		156,076 -		-		-
Community and economic development Culture and recreation Capital outlay		68,403 56,612 29,313		- - 2,856		-		-
Debt service: Principal Interest				- - -		40,000 44,913		23,000 34,048
Total expenditures		725,438		158,932		84,913		57,048
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES		312,695		28,542		(22,373)		<del>-</del>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Transfers in						4E 000		
Transfers out		(45,000)		<u>-</u>		45,000 		
Total other financing sources (uses)		(45,000)				45,000		
NET CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES		267,695		28,542		22,627		-
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING		1,125,917		185,183		76,050		
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	\$	1,393,612	<u>\$</u>	213,725	\$	98,677	\$	

	Total				
gov	ernmental				
	funds				
\$	700,387 89,709 310,253 26,074 100,027 118,745				
	1,345,195				
	4,198 354,560 176,089 192,339 68,403 56,612 32,169				
	63,000				
	78,961				
	1,026,331				
<del></del>	318,864				
***************************************	45,000 (45,000)				
	_				
	318,864				
	1,387,150				
\$	1,706,014				

### Township of Port Sheldon STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - governmental funds (Continued)

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (page 7)	\$ 318,864
Amounts reported for <i>governmental activities</i> in the statement of activities are different because:	
Capital assets: Assets acquired Provision for depreciation	114,263 (145,037)
Repayment of principal on capital debt is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets.	63,000
Because some special assessments will not be collected until subsequent periods, they are not considered available revenues and are deferred in the governmental funds.	
Deduct - decrease in deferred special assessment revenues	(95,796)
Change in net assets of governmental activities (page 5)	\$ 255,294

### Township of Port Sheldon STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS - proprietary fund

March 31, 2007

	Water Fund	-
ASSETS Current assets - cash	<u>\$ 23,963</u>	<u>.</u>
NET ASSETS Unrestricted	\$ 23,963	}

### Township of Port Sheldon STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS - proprietary fund

	Water Fund
OPERATING REVENUES Charges for services	\$ 15,442
OPERATING EXPENSES Operation and maintenance	19,776
OPERATING LOSS	(4,334)
NONOPERATING REVENUE Interest revenue	541
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(3,793)
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING	27,756
NET ASSETS - ENDING	\$ 23,963

### Township of Port Sheldon STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - proprietary fund

	Wate	er Fund
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES  Receipts from customers and users	\$	15,442
Payments to suppliers	•	(15,594)
Payments to employees		(4,182)
Net cash used in operating activities		(4,334)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Interest received		541
NET DECREASE IN CASH		(3,793)
NET DECREASE IN CASH		(3,193)
CASH - BEGINNING		27,756
CASH - ENDING	\$	23,963
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash		
used in operating activities:		
Net cash used in operating activities - operating loss	\$	(4,334)

### Township of Port Sheldon STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS - Agency Fund

March 31, 2007

**ASSETS** 

Cash

\$ 16,456

**LIABILITIES** 

Payables

16,456

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The accounting policies of the Township of Port Sheldon, Michigan (the Township), conform to U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (hereinafter referred to as generally accepted accounting principles) as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies.

### a) Reporting entity:

The accompanying financial statements present the Township and its component unit, an entity for which the Township is considered to be financially accountable. The component unit is reported in separate columns in the government-wide financial statements to emphasize that it is legally separate from the Township.

Discretely-presented component unit:

### Economic Development Corporation:

The component unit's governing body is appointed by the Township Board and its budget must be approved by the Township Board. Separate financial statements for the component unit have not been issued, as management believes that these financial statements, including disclosures, contain complete information so as to constitute a fair presentation of the component unit.

### b) Government-wide and fund financial statements:

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Township. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include: (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function; and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary funds. Major individual governmental funds and the major enterprise fund are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

### c) Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation:

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources, measurement focus, and the accrual basis of accounting as are the proprietary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

c) Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation (continued): Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources, measurement focus, and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Township considers property tax revenues to be available if they are expected to be collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, expenditures relating to compensated absences, and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due.

State grants, licenses and permits, charges for services, and interest associated with the current fiscal year are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal year. Only the portion of special assessment receivables due within the current year is considered susceptible to accrual as revenue of the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Township.

The Township reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the Township's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the Township, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Revenues are primarily derived from property taxes and state shared revenue.

The Fire Fund accounts for the use of property tax revenues that are restricted for the financing of the costs of fire protection within the Township.

The Sewer District #1 Fund accounts for the funding and payment of principal and interest on a debt associated with the Township's sewer system improvements in 2002.

The Sewer District #2 Fund accounts for the funding and payment of principal and interest on debt associated with the Township's wastewater treatment plant expansion project in 2002.

The Township reports the following major proprietary fund:

The Water Fund accounts for the activities of the Township's water supply system.

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with the standards of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Governments also have the option of following subsequent private-sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to this same limitation. The Township has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector standards.

Amounts reported as program revenues include: (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided; (2) operating grants and contributions; and (3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

c) Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation (continued): Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the proprietary funds are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for proprietary funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

- d) Assets, liabilities, and net assets or equity:
  - i) Bank deposits Cash consists of cash on hand, demand deposits, and highly liquid short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.
  - *ii)* Receivables Activity between funds that is representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year is referred to as "due to/from other funds." Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and the business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances." No allowance for uncollectible accounts has been recorded as the Township considers all receivables to be fully collectible.
  - iii) Capital assets Capital assets, which include property, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., water systems, shared sewer and road costs, and pathways), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets, other than infrastructure, are defined by the Township as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$1,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Governments can elect to account for infrastructure assets of government activities either retroactively to June 15, 1980, or prospectively. The Township has elected to account for its infrastructure assets prospectively, beginning April 1, 2004.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Buildings and improvements 25 - 50 years
Equipment 5 - 20 years
Vehicles 20 years
Infrastructure 20 years

*iv)* Fund equity - In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balances for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balances represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

d) Assets, liabilities, and net assets or equity (continued):

v) Property tax revenue recognition - Property taxes are levied as of December 1 on property values assessed as of December 31 of the prior year. The billings are due on or before February 14, after which time the bill becomes delinquent and penalties and interest may be assessed by the Township. Property tax revenue is recognized in the year for which taxes have been levied and become available. The Township levy date is December 1, and, accordingly, the total levy is recognized as revenue in the current year.

### NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY:

Budgetary information - Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for the Township's general and special revenue funds. The budget document presents information by fund, function, department, and line-item. The legal level of budgetary control adopted by the governing body is the functional level. All annual appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year. The Township experienced no significant budget variances during the fiscal year.

### NOTE 3 - CASH:

Cash, as presented in the accompanying financial statements, consists of the following:

	Governmental activities		Business-type activities		Component unit		iduciary	Total	
Deposits	\$	1,733,273	\$ 23,963	\$	17,255	\$	16,456	\$1,790,947	

### Deposits with financial institutions:

Michigan Compiled Laws Section 129.91 (Public Act 20 of 1943, as amended) and the Township's investment policy authorize the Township to make deposits in the accounts of federally-insured banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations that have an office in Michigan. The Township's deposits are in accordance with statutory authority.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the Township will not be able to recover its deposits. Deposits are exposed to custodial credit risk if they are not covered by depository insurance and are uncollateralized. As of March 31, 2007, \$1,483,418 of the Township's bank balances of \$1,800,673 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured.

The Township believes that it is impractical to insure all bank deposits due to the amounts of the deposits and the limits of FDIC insurance. As a result, the Township evaluates each financial institution with which it deposits funds and assesses the risk level of each institution. Only the institutions with an acceptable estimated risk level are used as depositories.

### NOTE 4 - RECEIVABLES:

At March 31, 2007, the receivables of the Township's funds were as follows:

·	Property taxes			Inter- governmental		Special sessments	_Totals
Governmental funds:							
General	\$ 11,568	\$ -	\$	50,294	\$		\$ 61,862
Fire	3,765	-		-		_	3,765
Sewer District #1	-	14,578	}	-		131,835	146,413
Sewer District #2		13,104	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		121,287	134,391
Totals	<u>\$ 15,333</u>	\$ 27,682	<u>\$</u>	50,294	\$	253,122	<u>\$346,431</u>
Noncurrent portion	\$ -	\$ -	\$		\$	205,123	\$205,123

### NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS:

Capital asset activity for the year ended March 31, 2007, was as follows:

	Beginning balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending balance
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated - land	<u>\$ 236,443</u>	<u>* - </u>	<u> </u>	\$ 236,443
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	1,510,359	20,857	-	1,531,216
Equipment	373,426	2,995	-	376,421
Vehicles	678,090	-	-	678,090
Pathways	23,221	-	-	23,221
Shared road costs	93,756	90,411	_	184,167
Shared sewer costs	1,495,000			1,495,000
Subtotal	4,173,852	114,263		4,288,115
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(375,384)	(43,109)	-	(418,493)
Equipment	(177,577)	(25,261)	-	(202,838)
Vehicles	(234,389)	(33,705)	-	(268,094)
Pathways	(387)	(1,676)	-	(2,063)
Shared road costs	(586)	(3,911)	-	(4,497)
Shared sewer costs	(112,125)	(37,375)	-	(149,500)
Subtotal	(900,448)	(145,037)		(1,045,485)
Total capital assets being				
depreciated, net	3,273,404	(30,774)		3,242,630
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$3,509,847	\$ (30,774)	\$ -	\$3,479,073
Business-type activities: Capital assets being depreciated -				
water system	\$ 107,671	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 107,671
Less accumulated depreciation	(107,671)			(107,671)
Total business-type activities capital assets, net	\$	\$	\$ -	\$ <u>-</u>

### NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued):

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental activities as follows:

General government	\$ 42,266
Public safety	58,824
Public works	43,462
Culture and recreation	 485

Total governmental activities \$ 145,037

### NOTE 6 - NONCURRENT LIABILITIES:

Noncurrent liabilities at March 31, 2007, consist of the following issues:

### Governmental activities:

\$1,150,000 2002 Ottawa County sewage disposal contract payable (Port Sheldon sewer improvements) - payable in annual installments ranging from \$15,000 to \$90,000, plus interest at 3.0% to 5.0%; final payment due May 2022 \$ 98

\$ 980,000

\$345,000 2002 Ottawa County sewage disposal contract payable (treatment plant expansion) - payable in annual installments of \$23,000, plus interest at 2.50% to 4.55%; final payment due May 2017

207,000

Total governmental activities

\$1,187,000

Noncurrent liability activity for the year ended March 31, 2007, was as follows:

	Beginning balance	_Additions	Reductions	Ending balance	Amounts due within one year
Governmental activities:					
2002 contract payable #1	\$1,020,000	\$ -	\$ (40,000)	\$ 980,000	\$ 45,000
2002 contract payable #2	230,000		(23,000)	207,000	23,000
Total governmental activities	\$ 1,250,000	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ (63,000)	<u>\$1,187,000</u>	\$ 68,000

### NOTE 6 - NONCURRENT LIABILITIES (Continued):

At March 31, 2007, debt service requirements were as follows:

Year ended	Governmental activities						
_March 31,	Principal	Interest					
2008	68,000	55,015					
2009	68,000	52,149					
2010	73,000	49,213					
2011	73,000	45,996					
2012 - 2016	415,000	177,111					
2017 - 2021	400,000	82,760					
2022 - 2023	90,000	4,500					
Totals	\$ 1,187,000	\$ 466,744					

All debt is secured by the full faith and credit of the Township.

### NOTE 7 - PAYABLES:

At March 31, 2007, the payables of the Township's funds were as follows:

	Inter- Accounts Payroll governmental						Totals	
Governmental funds:								
General	\$	20,688	\$	-	\$	-	\$	20,688
Fire		-	2	20,000		-		20,000
Sewer District #2	<u></u>	-	<del></del>	<del></del>		79,880		79,880
Total governmental funds	<u>\$</u>	20,688	\$ 2	20,000	\$	79,880	\$	120,568

### NOTE 8 - DEFERRED REVENUE:

Governmental funds report deferred revenues in connection with revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. At the end of the current fiscal year, the various components of deferred revenues are as follows:

Fund	Assessments unavailable		
Sewer District #1 Sewer District #2	\$	131,835 121,287	
Totals	\$	253,122	

### NOTE 9 - DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION PLAN:

The Township provides pension benefits for substantially all of its full-time employees through a defined contribution plan. In a defined contribution plan, benefits depend solely on amounts contributed to the plan, plus investment earnings. Michigan statutes assign the authority to establish and amend benefit provisions to the Township Board of Trustees. Employees are eligible to participate from the date of employment. The Township contributes 15% of each qualified employee's base salary to the plan and the contributions are fully vested immediately. The Township is not a trustee of the plan, nor is the Township responsible for investment management of plan assets.

The Township made required contributions of \$23,187 during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2007.

### NOTE 10 - CLAIMS ARISING FROM RISKS OF LOSS:

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss to general liability, property and casualty, and workers' compensation. The risks of loss arising from general liability up to \$2,000,000, building contents, workers' compensation, and casualty are managed through purchased commercial insurance. Claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

### NOTE 11 - CONSTRUCTION CODE ACT:

A summary of construction code enforcement transactions for the year ended March 31, 2007, follows:

Revenues	\$ 62,202
Expenses	 (62,273)
Deficiency of revenues over expenses	\$ <u>(71</u> )

### NOTE 12 - INTERFUND TRANSFERS:

A summary of interfund transfers for the year ended March 31, 2007, is as follows:

Fund	Tra	ansfer in	<u>Fund</u>	Tra	nsfer out
Sewer District #1	\$	45,000	General	\$	45,000

The transfer to the Sewer District #1 Fund, a debt service fund, represents unrestricted revenues collected in the General Fund that were used to pay debt service costs in accordance with budgetary requirements.

### NOTE 13 - ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY:

The Township received approximately 67% of its property tax revenue from one taxpayer.

### NOTE 14 - PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS:

Prior period adjustments have been recorded in 2006 that resulted in a restatement of net assets. Net assets as of April 1, 2006, included in the government-wide financial statements, represent restated balances as presented below. The following schedule identifies the nature and amount of the adjustments recorded.

	Net assets			
		overnmental activities	Component unit	
Beginning of year, as previously reported	\$	3,333,134	\$	-
Prior period adjustments:  Overstatement of deferred revenue Inclusion of Economic Development Corporation	_	662,781 		- 16,981
Beginning of year, as restated	<u>\$</u>	3,995,915	\$	16,981

Prior period adjustments have been recorded in 2006 that resulted in restatements of fund equity. Fund equity as of April 1, 2006, included in the fund statements, represents restated balances as presented below. The following schedule identifies the nature and amount of the adjustments recorded.

	Fund balance			
	<u>General</u>		<u>Fire</u>	
Beginning of year, as previously reported	\$	634,123	\$	14,196
Prior period adjustment: Overstatement of deferred revenue	_	491,794	_	170,987
Beginning of year, as restated	<u>\$</u>	1,125,917	\$	185,183

### REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# Township of Port Sheldon BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - General Fund

DEVENUES	Original budget	Amended budget	Actual	Variance favorable (unfavorable)
REVENUES				
Property taxes	\$ 497,424	\$ 497,424	\$ 520,634	\$ 23,210
Licenses and permits	85,459	85,459	89,709	4,250
State grants	318,000	318,000	310,253	(7,747)
Charges for services	25,584	25,584	23,141	(2,443)
Interest and rentals	54,600	54,600	90,178	35,578
Other	9,584	9,584	4,218	(5,366)
Total revenues	990,651	990,651	1,038,133	47,482
EXPENDITURES				
Legislative	5,169	5,169	4,198	971
General government:				
Supervisor	59,085	59,085	58,027	1,058
Elections	5,000	5,000	3,715	1,285
Assessor	74,650	74,650	36,709	37,941
Clerk	47,074	47,074	40,956	6,118
Treasurer	34,134	34,134	32,682	1,452
Board of review	1,350	1,350	1,050	300
General administration	231,537	234,537	140,133	94,404
Hall and grounds	40,491	40,491	35,303	5,188
Cemetery	8,500	8,500	5,985	2,515
Total general government	501,821	504,821	354,560	150,261
Public safety:				
Law enforcement	2,525	2,525	1,857	668
Construction code inspections	28,500	28,500	18,156	10,344
Total public safety	31,025	31,025	20,013	11,012
Public works:				
Pathways	540,000	540,000	108,655	431,345
Road construction and maintenance	57,965	57,965	5,879	52,086
Sanitation	75,000	75,000	60,995	14,005

# Township of Port Sheldon BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - General Fund (Continued)

	Original budget	Amended budget	Actual	Variance favorable (unfavorable)
EXPENDITURES (Continued)				
Public works (continued): Street lighting	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 14,281	\$ 719
Drains	2,000	2,000	2,208	(208)
Other	500	500	321	179
Total public works	690,465	690,465	192,339	498,126
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Community and economic development -				
planning and zoning	79,703	76,703	68,403	8,300
Culture and recreation - parks and recreation	65,304	65,304	56,612	8,692
Capital outlay	175,000	175,000	29,313	145,687
Total expenditures	1,548,487	1,548,487	725,438	823,049
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(557,836)	(557,836)	312,695	870,531
OTHER FINANCING USES				
Transfer out - Sewer District #1 Fund	(45,500)	(45,500)	(45,000)	500
NET CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES	(603,336)	(603,336)	267,695	871,031
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	1,125,917	1,125,917	1,125,917	
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	<u>\$ 522,581</u>	\$ 522,581	\$1,393,612	\$ 871,031

# Township of Port Sheldon BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - Fire Fund

REVENUES	Original budget	Amended budget	Actual	Variance favorable (unfavorable)
Property taxes Charges for services Interest	\$ 171,053 - 4,000	\$ 171,053 2,933 4,000	\$ 179,753 2,933 4,788	\$ 8,700 - 788
Total revenues	175,053	177,986	187,474	9,488
EXPENDITURES Public safety Capital outlay	179,587 7,000	182,520 	156,076 2,856	26,444 4,144
Total expenditures	186,587	189,520	158,932	30,588
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(11,534)	(11,534)	28,542	40,076
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING	185,183	185,183	185,183	
FUND BALANCES - ENDING	<u>\$ 173,649</u>	<u>\$ 173,649</u>	\$ 213,725	\$ 40,076

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### Members of the Township Board Township of Port Sheldon, Michigan

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the Township of Port Sheldon as of and for the year ended March 31, 2007, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Township of Port Sheldon's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Our consideration of internal control included procedures to evaluate the design of controls relevant to an audit of financial statements and to determine whether they have been implemented, but it did not include procedures to test the operating effectiveness of controls, and accordingly, was not directed to discovering significant deficiencies in internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified a deficiency in internal control that we consider to be a material weakness.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. We believe that the following deficiency is a material weakness.

 The Township does not have procedures in place to prepare financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, including procedures to record revenue and expenditure accruals, and changes in capital assets, and to present required financial statement disclosures.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Trustees of the Township of Port Sheldon and the State of Michigan Department of Treasury and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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